

UNIVERSITY HILLS ASSOCIATION OF HOMEOWNERS  
REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES  
June 7, 2022

The monthly meeting of the University Hills Association of Homeowners Board of Directors was called to order at 11:31 AM by Tom Hopwood, President, on Tuesday, June 7, 2022. The venue is the Board Room in the Las Colinas Association's Corporate Office located at # 3838 Teleport Blvd. in Irving, TX. Also, a Zoom videoconferencing platform was arranged to permit Board Members not physically present to participate in the meeting.

A quorum of 11 directors included; Anna Walther, Rick Lindsey, Jim Wells, Karen Martin, Nell Anne Hunt, Ottis Lewis, Nicholette Mason, Charles Schmidt, Michael Basoco, and John DeMarco.

**Minutes of the May 2022 BOD Meeting**

Minutes of the May monthly Board of Directors meeting were distributed by John DeMarco via an email dated May 24, 2022. The minutes were accepted as presented.

**Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer's Report for the 7-month period ending May 31, 2022, was distributed by Jim Wells via an email of the same date. A list of responses to potential questions accompanied the Treasurer's Report. There were no comments and the report was filed for the fiscal year's financial review.

**2022 Membership Campaign**

Anna Walther, Committee Chair, reported results for the 2022 Membership Drive as of June 7, 2022. The total dues paid amounts to \$25,450. Also, the number of dues paid members is now 311. Both measures exceed the highest levels ever achieved by UHAOH.

**Eligibility of Residents for UHAOH Awards**

In her report on membership, Anna Walther also noted that 198 residences have not paid dues for 2022. This led to a discussion about a dues paid requirement for the various UHAOH awards. Currently, Yard of the Month, 40- and 50- year Homes of Distinction, and Home Holiday Lighting awards are made to residents without reference to their dues-paying status. Ottis Lewis moved that a dues paid requirement apply henceforth when bestowing these awards. Anna Walther seconded and the motion was carried.

**COI Neighborhood Association Grant Award**

In an email dated June 2, 2022, Jim Wells reported receipt of a check from the City of Irving (COI) in partial payment of the award granted to UHAOH for year 2012/2022. COI also advised that payment for the balance of the grant awaits submission of the supporting documentation by UHAOH. Charles Schmidt, Committee Chair, and Jim Wells will endeavor to complete this requirement in a timely fashion.

Anna Walther noted that the window to receive applications for the 2022/2023 COI Neighborhood Association Grant Program was opened on June 1, 2022. The deadline for submission is August 19, 2022.

**Spring Fling: Saturday, May 7, 2022 at Wingren Park**

Rick Lindsey, VP Activities, expressed heartfelt thanks to everyone whose efforts made this Spring Fling the best ever. Rick then led a detailed review of the proceedings of this year's event to identify any areas for improvement.

### **Fourth of July Celebration Concert: Monday, July 4, 2022 at Flag Pole Hill**

Rick Lindsey summarized the many various aspects and features planned for this event. A postal card designed by Kathrine Pennington has been mailed to all residences. Nicholette Mason will send out another notice of the event electronically at a time closer to the actual date.

### **Great Flag Caper (GFC) and the July Fourth Holiday**

Nell Anne Hunt reported that GFC arrangements are underway for the planting of flags throughout Irving over the July Fourth Holiday. Nell Anne also noted that this is the 30<sup>th</sup> year for the GFC with 40,000 flags to be placed on display. Nell Anne encouraged volunteers to participate in the GFC program. Nell Anne also invited volunteers to the Patriotic Potluck Party which she will host on Sunday July 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7 PM.

### **Adult Social Mixer: Thursday, September 15, 2022**

Tom Hopwood remarked that there are no new developments to report.

### **National Night Out: Tuesday October 4, 2022**

Rick Lindsey drew attention to the budgeted amount of \$ 700 for this event which is reflective of a low-key effort. If something more grandiose is desired, then additional guidance is needed. This can be addressed at the next meeting.

### **Real Estate Report**

Nell Anne Hunt distributed a Real Estate Report dated June 1, 2022 by email and by hard copy. In contrast to prior reports, there are several homes listed for sale in the University Hills area. And more listings are in the offing. Nell Anne suggested that this might be indicative of a turning point in the market.

### **Yard of the Month: June**

Joyce Guedalia, Chair of the Property Appearance Committee, advised that the Yard of the Month for June was awarded to: 3700 Hidalgo (David and Kara Baxter).

### **Nominating Committee Report**

Anna Walther, Committee Chair, advised there is no progress to report on the identification of prospective candidates for board member positions. The number of responses to the numerous invitations and notices that have been sent out are few to none. Rick Lindsey suggested we consider setting our sights at levels less than board membership and look for volunteers who might serve in a more limited capacity.

Anna remarked that she has in mind changing our membership letter this year to include an emphasis on the enlistment of volunteers for various UHAOH duties. That subject may not have received much focus in prior years.

### **Sponsorships at UHAOH Events**

With reference to the discussion commenced at the last meeting respecting additional sources of revenue for UHAOH, the discussion is postponed to the next meeting.

### **New Business: LCA Charity Bowling Tournament September 14**

Tom Hopwood reported that LCA will resume its sponsorship of this charitable event after a two -year hiatus caused by the COVID -19 pandemic.

### **New Business: Reduced LCA Assessment Rate for 2022.**

Tom Hopwood advised that the Las Colinas Association has reduced the property assessment rate for this year to 13 cents per \$100. A rate of 14 cents per \$100 had applied since year 2005.

**New Business: Texas Political Sign Ordinance**

In an email dated June 2, 2022, Ottis Lewis noted that a possible violation of the Texas Political Sign Ordinance was observed in University Hills. The staff at the LCA Property Compliance Department has the responsibility for monitoring this area.

**New Business: COI Solid Waste Process Study**

Tom Hopwood received information that the City of Irving may be considering another review of the process for collecting solid waste at residential properties. Tom noted that these studies seem to recur on a regular basis and requested we be on the alert for any developments.

**Next BOD Meeting: August 2, 2022**

Rick Lindsey remarked that the July meeting is scheduled for the day immediately following the July 4<sup>th</sup> Holiday. Discussion ensued and Rick moved to cancel the July meeting. This was seconded by Michael Basoco and the motion carried.

With there being no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned by the President. The time was 1:08 PM.

The next regular meeting of the UHAOH Board of Directors occurs on August 2, 2022, at the same time (11:30 AM) and the same place (Board Room in the LCA Corporate Office at #3838 Teleport Blvd., Irving, TX).

John DeMarco  
Secretary  
06/07/2022

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